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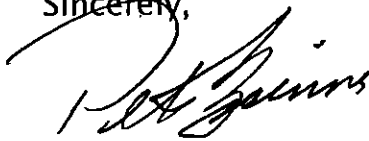
Dear Honorable Members of The Committee on Judiciary:

You are in the process of considering two bills about which I have very strong feelings.

The first, SB1094, regards the legality of gun magazines over 10 rounds. This is ridiculous. One horrible tragedy, and now all the law-abiding gun owners have to put up with nonsense from legislators who are just trying to show their constituents that they are doing something to earn their pay. To those who say that even if one life is saved by this bill that it is worth it, I say that one life or more might just as well be saved by a homeowner or other law-abiding citizen using the greater capacity to defend him or herself and family. Let's just keep with the times, minimize government's footprint on my daily life, stop with the feel-good legislation, and enforce the laws we have. Stop this one!

The second is SB1210 which would create a presumption under Connecticut law that it is reasonable to believe that deadly physical force is necessary to defend oneself from a person who has unlawfully entered a dwelling. Yes! If someone has entered my house in the middle of the night, I am not going to stand by pondering whether they might or might not be up to no good and prepared to harm or kill me in the process. Jail me if you will, but this is a time to shoot first and ask questions later. Hopefully I will not be constrained in the number of shots I can take to get the job done. Let's do it!

Sincerely,



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